



### **CERTIFIED FOOD MANAGER (CFM) REQUIREMENT**

- **Effective January 20, 2010**, every Food Establishment must have at least one person in charge at each location, who is responsible for supervising food preparation and service, who has a valid Certified Food Manager Training Certificate issued by the Texas Department of State Health Services.
- Certification is obtained by successfully completing and passing a Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) approved Certified Food Manager Training Program.
- In order to comply with this requirement, the original Certified Food Manager Certificate issued by Texas Department of Health must be available for inspection at each facility. Effective April 15, 2003, all Certified Food Managers must be registered with the City of Arlington's Community Development & Planning's Health Division.
- A new food establishment; an existing food establishment that has changed ownership; or a food establishment whose Certified Food Manager has transferred, terminated, or resigned has **30 days** to employ another Certified Food Manager.
- The permit holder of an existing food establishment shall notify the City of Arlington's Community Development & Planning's Health Division within **48 hours** of the termination or transfer of a Certified Food Protection Manager.
- Food Establishments that sell or distribute only prepackaged foods or uncut produce; food establishments that serve only fountain drinks, coffee, alcoholic beverages, popcorn, and/or snow cones, and Temporary Food Establishments are **exempt** from this requirement.
- Food Establishments located in the same building and under the same ownership and management must have at least one Certified Food Manager.
- Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Certified Food Manager Program information at:  
<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/foodestablishments/CFM.shtm>

For further information, please contact the Community Development & Planning's Health Division at 817-459-6502 for a list of DSHS approved courses.